### NSF Activities in Cyber Trust

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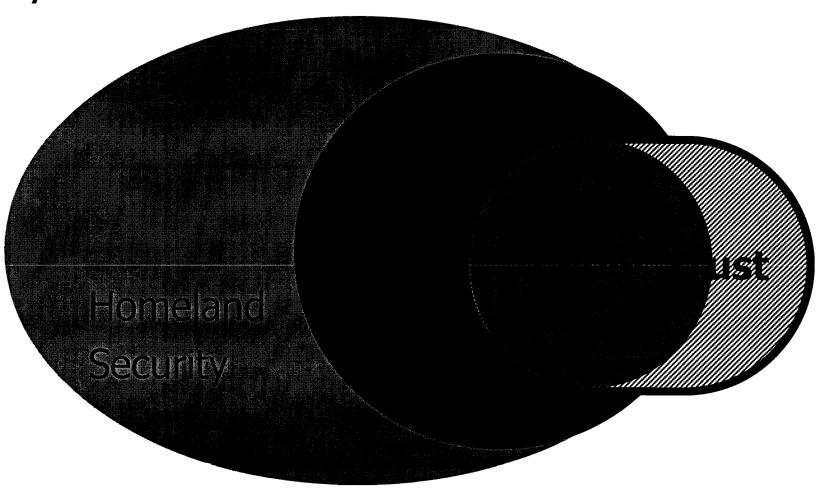
## Cyber Trust Vision

#### Society in which

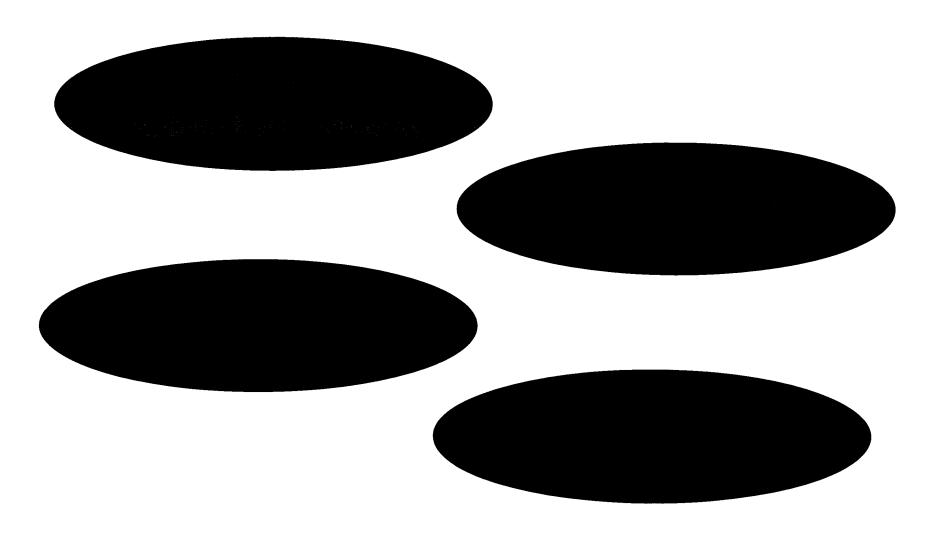
- People can justifiably rely on computer-based systems to perform critical functions
  - national scale infrastructures: water, power, communication, transportation, ...
  - localized systems: cars, homes, ...
- People can justifiably rely on systems processing sensitive information about them to conform to public policy
  - health, banking, libraries, e-commerce, government records

Without fear of sudden disruption by cyber attacks

### Homeland Security Critical Infrastructure Protection Cyber Security Cyber Trust



# **Cyber Trust Programs**



# Cyber Security Research and Development Act (CSRDA) - Authorization Bill

• P.L 107-305 passed by Congress and signed by President Nov. 27, 2002

NSF Program	FY03	FY04	FY05	FY06	FY07	Total
Research Grants	\$35M	\$40M	\$46M	\$52M	\$60M	\$233M
Research Centers	\$12M	\$24M	\$36M	\$36M	\$36M	\$144M
Capacity-bldg grants	\$15M	\$20M	\$20M	\$20M	\$20M	\$95M
Grad T'ships in CNS Res	\$10M	\$20M	\$20M	\$20M	\$20M	\$90M
Cyber Sec Fac Dev T'ships	\$5M	\$5M	\$5M	\$5M	\$5M	\$25M
1992 S&AT Act	\$1M	\$1.25M	\$1.25M	\$1.25M	\$1.25M	\$6M
Total	\$78M	\$110M	\$128M	\$134M	\$142M	\$593M
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Comp. Sec Res Pgm	\$25M	\$40M	\$55M	\$70M	\$85M	\$275M
CSSPAB	\$1.06M	\$1.09M				\$2M
Intramural Res	\$6.0M	\$6.2M	\$6.4M	\$6.6M	\$6.8M	\$32M
Total	\$32M	\$47M	\$61M	\$77M	\$92M	\$309M

Caution:

This is AUTHORIZATION (legal authority to spend) vs. APPROPRIATION (providing funds).

#### **NSF Plans for CSRDA**

- Direct significant portion of FY03 appropriation increase to Cyber Trust research programs (~\$15M)
- Expand strategy to improve nation's ability to produce systems for tomorrow that are
  - simpler to operate
  - less vulnerable
- Validate / update assumptions underlying the strategy
- Explore thrust areas through expert workshops

## Cyber Trust Research Program Plans

- Publish Cyber Trust announcement
- Build the Cyber Trust research community
  - Cyber Trust PI meeting 13-15 August, Baltimore
  - Open to interested researchers as well as PIs
- Coordinate with other Government research funders:
  - Infosec Research Council
    - see http://www.infosec-research.org/programs.html
       for related research program announcements
  - National IT R&D Working Group: HCSS
- Support research agenda development activities

# Other current NSF activities related to Cyber Trust

- Research in other programs touching Cyber Trust issues (e.g., crypto in Theory of Computing, improved software engineering methods, etc.)
  - touchstone: does the work consider malicious actions vs. random failures?
- MAGIC middleware infrastructure for Grid computing, incorporating security functions
- Scholarships for Service program
  - Tuition grants, up to Masters level, with service obligation, at specific institutions
  - Capacity building grants

## Cyber Trust related activities

- Coordination with Dept of Homeland Security as it builds capability in Cyber Security
- Coordination with NIST as it develops CSRDA plans
- Mutual review of proposals and programs with other government agencies
- International coordination of related activities -- e.g. Canada, EU
- Monthly Washington Area Trustworthy Systems Hour: announcements:
  - http://www.cise.nsf.gov/evnt/webcasts/watsh/index.htmlwebcasts/slides archived at:
  - http://www.ngi-supernet.org/conferences.html

## Concluding thoughts

- 1. NSF is planning for increased resources authorized by CSRDA
- 2. Regardless of the threat, today's systems are way too vulnerable
- 3. There is an opportunity now for increased investment in this area
  - Trusted Computing
  - Trustworthy Computing
  - CSRDA
  - DHS
- 4. Unless we can demonstrate measurable improvements, the investments will be short-lived
- 5. NSF is interested in your thoughts as to how to improve the research infrastructure for Cyber Trust

Thank you.